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Applicant:

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Title:

NON-CURLING

REINFORCED COMPOSITE

MEMBRANES WITH DIFFERING OPPOSED FACES, METHODS FOR PRODUCING AND THEIR

USE IN VARIED APPLICATIONS

Appl. No.:

09/765,695

Appl. Filing Date:

01/18/2001

Examiner:

John J. Guarriello

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)
 - a. Previously submitted:

[] Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on ___.

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[]	Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on but not
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. ,	C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on
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b. En	closed are:
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[]	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
[]	Information Disclosure Statement.
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Miscellaneous:

[] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For		tra Claims esent		Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):							\$770.00	=	\$770.00
Total Claims:	34	-	35	= 0		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	6	-	6	= 0		x	\$86.00	=	\$0.00
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[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

\$0.00	\$110.00	Extension for response filed within the first month:	[]			
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- [X] A check in the amount of \$1190.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1447.

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated February 2, 2004, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: